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Agency Information Collection (Supplemental Information for Change of Program or Reenrollment after Unsatisfactory Attendance, Conduct or Progress) Activities under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-21), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATE: Comments must be submitted on or before [Insert date 30 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov; or to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and

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Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0358" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632-7492, fax (202) 632-7583 or e-mail crystal.rennie@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0358."

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

<u>Title</u>: Supplemental Information for Change of Program or Reenrollment After Unsatisfactory Attendance, Conduct or Progress, VA Form 22-8873.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0358.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Veterans and other eligible persons may change their program of education under conditions prescribed by Title 38 U.S.C. 3691. A claimant can normally make one change of program without VA approval. VA approval is required if the claimant makes any additional change of program. Before VA can approve benefits for a second or subsequent change of program, VA must first determine that the new program is suitable to the claimant's aptitudes, interests, and abilities, or that the cause of any unsatisfactory progress or conduct has been resolved before entering into a different program. VA Form 22-8873 is used to gather the necessary information only if the suitability of the proposed training program cannot be established from information already available in the claimant's VA education records or the results of academic or vocational counseling are not available to VA.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a

collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this

collection of information was published on October 19, 2012 at pages 64384-64385.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 17,706 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

<u>Frequency of Response</u>: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 35,411.

DATED: January 24, 2012

By direction of the Secretary:

William F. Russo, Deputy Director
Office of Regulations Policy and Management
Office of General Counsel
Department of Veterans Affairs

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